

SIEM & SOC - FINAL PROJECT part 2

We are conducting a security analysis of the file "dog.jpg" to assess its potential malicious content.

I generated a hash from the file and checked it on VirusTotal.

The image shows a Windows Command Prompt window on the left and a VirusTotal analysis page on the right.

Command Prompt Output:

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C:\Users\Lugman>cd Desktop  
C:\Users\Lugman\Desktop>dir  
Volume in drive C has no label.  
Volume Serial Number is 4A48-40C6  
  
Directory of C:\Users\Lugman\Desktop  
  
07/18/2024 06:13 AM <DIR> .  
07/18/2024 06:13 AM <DIR> ..  
12/16/2020 12:51 AM <DIR> Depends  
12/20/2020 12:12 AM 109,096 Dog.jpg  
12/16/2020 01:57 AM 31,564,253 FinalToolkit Part 1.rar  
12/20/2020 12:20 AM 35,154,792 FinalToolkit Part 2.rar  
07/18/2024 06:13 AM <DIR> HxD  
02/28/2020 04:33 AM 3,369,748 HxDPortableSetup.exe  
01/30/2018 03:10 AM <DIR> PEView-master  
12/16/2020 12:58 AM <DIR> regshot  
12/16/2020 12:46 AM <DIR> SysinternalsSuite  
4 File(s) 70,197,889 bytes  
7 Dir(s) 75,624,873,984 bytes free  
  
C:\Users\Lugman\Desktop>certutil -hashfile Dog.jpg sha256  
SHA256 hash of Dog.jpg:  
42aeb242a30f7dea5a8b5f7c41682cfd3ce7c287f0695b223709c8a8f721532b  
CertUtil: -hashfile command completed successfully.  
C:\Users\Lugman\Desktop>
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VirusTotal Analysis Results:

The VirusTotal page shows the file "dog.jpg" (106.54 KB) analyzed 3 months ago. It has a Community Score of 9/60. The file is flagged as malicious by 9/60 security vendors.

Popular threat label: trojan,boaxxe/fakepic

Threat categories: trojan

Family labels: boaxxe, fakepic

Security vendors' analysis:

Vendor	Detection	Category	Score
Avira (no cloud)	DR/FakePic.Gen	Cynet	Malicious (score: 99)
Fortinet	W32/Boaxxe.BVBltr	Google	Detected
Ikarus	Dropper.FakePic	NANO-Antivirus	Trojan.Win32.Inject.cthmrm
Rising	Trojan.Inject.B.103 (CLOUD)	Varist	W32/Boaxxe.PQDO-5801
VBA32	Trojan.Inject	Acronis (Static ML)	Undetected

A JPG file in hexadecimal notation should start with the specific sequence **FFD8** and end with **FFD9**. I checked the file in HxD and discovered that there is a significant portion of data appended after the **FFD9** marker.

HxD - [C:\Users\Lugman\Desktop\Dog.jpg]

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Dog.jpg

Offset(h)	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	0A	0B	0C	0D	0E	0F	Decoded text
00000000	FF	E0	00	10	4A	46	49	46	00	01	01	00	00	01			ÿþà...JFIF.....
00000010	00	01	00	00	FF	D8	00	84	00	09	06	07	12	13	12	15	...ÿÿ.....
00000020	12	13	12	15	15	15	15	15	16	15	16	15	15	15	15		...ÿÿ.....
00000030	15	17	17	15	17	16	15	15	15	15	18	1D	28	20	18	(
00000040	1D	25	1B	15	16	21	31	21	25	29	2B	2E	2E	17	1F		..%...!1!%)+.....
00000050	33	38	33	2D	37	28	2D	2E	2B	01	0A	0A	0E	0D	0E		389-7(-.+.....
00000060	1B	10	10	1B	2D	25	1F	26	2F	2D	2B	2F	2D	2F	2D		...%&/-+/-/-
00000070	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D		.....
00000080	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D		.....
00000090	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D		.....ÿÀ.....
000000A0	9F	01	3D	03	01	22	00	02	11	01	03	11	01	FF	C4	00	ÿ.,.,.,.,.,.,.,ÿÀ.
000000B0	1B	00	00	02	03	01	01	01	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....ÿÀ.7..
000000C0	00	00	03	04	01	02	05	00	06	07	FF	C4	00	37	10	00	.....ÿÀ.7..
000000D0	01	03	02	04	04	06	02	01	04	02	03	00	00	00	01		.....
000000E0	00	02	11	03	21	04	12	31	41	05	51	61	71	13	22	81	...!..!A..QaQ..
000000F0	91	06	32	A1	B1	C1	F0	D1	E1	14	23	42	62	F1	52	72	..2;AaBbA..#BbBbR
00000100	15	16	33	FF	C4	00	19	01	00	03	01	01	01	00	00	00	..ÿÿ.....
00000110	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	01	02	03	00	04	05	FF	C4	.....ÿÀ
00000120	00	28	11	00	02	02	02	01	04	02	01	05	00	00	00		.....
00000130	00	00	00	00	01	02	11	03	12	21	31	41	04	13	22	51	.....!1A..Q
00000140	14	61	71	42	81	A1	D1	E1	FF	DA	00	0C	03	01	00	02	..aQb;BbBbBbBbBbBb
00000150	11	03	11	00	3F	00	DA	68	45	68	5C	02	23	42	F2	04	...?..ÿhEh..#Bb.
00000160	25	A1	5C	35	70	0A	56	31	D9	54	C2	89	56	58	34	70	%;Sp.VlUTAbVx4p
00000170	57	08	72	AC	0A	06	A2	B0	A5	40	52	B5	5A	8E	52	02	W..,.,.,.,.,.,.,.
00000180	85	76	A2	0A	22	17	42	B4	AA	CA	00	3A	14	80	A4	29	..vo..B..E..,.,.,.
00000190	95	BC	44	2E	56	05	41	44	14	44	29	01	44	A3	61	F0	*XD.V.AD.D).D&a&
000001A0	EE	7F	CA	25	14	AC	34	0C	05	30	B4	28	F0	97	6D	61	1.E&..4..0'(6..a
000001B0	BD	D3	23	84	B3	77	9F	A2	75	8A	43	28	33	16	17	42	hQ#..*wYcuSC(3..B
000001C0	D8	77	09	6F	FB	84	7B	84	EB	20	04	F6	5C	89	1C	C6	0w.oQ{..Z+..0h..E
000001D0	88	4B	1C	91	9C	5A	13	21	74	29	55	25	4C	52	CB	95	*K..wZ..t)U&LR&.
000001E0	01	E3	78	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	...n&w&B&A..n

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Offset(h)	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	0A	0B	0C	0D	0E	0F	Decoded text
00001820	4D	F5	4D	55	AC	72	82	0E	A6	44	8D	C4	8F	69	94	46	M&MU-r.,;D.A.1"F
00001830	BC	00	5F	B1	31	03	7B	79	93	37	60	F7	24	CC	B6	61	4..+1.(y"7'-0I&e
00001840	1B	E2	07	83	70	48	BF	7D	63	F7	54	C5	5A	24	92	33	..â.fgHç)ç-T&Z&3
00001850	6B	32	0E	D1	CA	2F	02	11	2B	36	60	FF	00	E4	27	94	k2.NE/...+6'ÿ.a'"
00001860	F7	51	52	87	9D	A7	56	A0	4E	A6	D7	E7	BA	4A	B1	6D	-QR+&- N)*ç"Ç&m
00001870	AE	CA	20	8E	7B	62	C6	01	04	D8	CF	98	93	39	AE	ED	8&H&2(h&..0I""0&1
00001880	7B	D0	0B	08	4F	24	CE	BB	1D	24	0D	04	9D	91	5F	5C	(ÿ..0&f..ç..'\
00001890	35	C6	27	7B	6D	A0	3F	75	1E	20	89	3A	91	06	DA	B7	S&E'(m 7u. t: 'Û.
000018A0	F6	11	E8	DB	3A	AF	04	D4	C1	BB	46	C3	73	34	00	4D	ç.e0:..ô&f&A&4.M
000018B0	C1	30	60	BA	74	B4	7D	12	67	87	11	98	82	0C	BA	F1	Â0'ç'.).ç+..,."f&
000018C0	20	B5	A3	CA	4C	72	CC	75	8C	9F	C6	54	1A	E8	07	EE	u&ELrLuiY&T.e.i
000018D0	9D	82	AB	62	E3	43	13	02	76	E6	51	FD	01	CD	D0	A7	..eb&C..vwQÿ.ID&
000018E0	F8	44	BA	4C	06	73	13	88	49	68	11	AC	82	01	93	B4	eD*L..â."In..,."
000018F0	85	A1	5E	93	09	CA	E6	02	4C	36	E0	01	94	58	88	1A	..j""E&.L&â."X".
00001900	69	61	B4	21	D2	AA	4B	33	C0	F2	8C	BA	6E	6E	3F	28	ia'!0*W&3&0&*nn?()
00001910	0E	AB	37	EF	DC	58	68	84	E3	B2	AB	1A	19	35	F0	07	..w7UXh..â&e..S&.
00001920	05	82	6B	22	C0	91	24	18	CB	BC	FC	A2	D6	B6	A8	55	..k"A'ç.E&wç0&U
00001930	A9	19	2F	19	46	62	45	B3	4D	8E	9E	50	48	02	6D	3C	0./..F&ç'M&Z&PH.mç
00001940	D6	89	3E	68	00	4E	59	FA	5F	EE	97	AC	1B	3A	6B	7F	0t>h.NY& i=-.k.
00001950	C7	E1	1E	50	AA	47	FF	00	4D	5A	90	00	03	00	00	00	ç&.P*ç"0&Z.....
00001960	04	00	00	00	FF	FF	00	00	B8	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	...ÿÿ.....
00001970	40	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
00001980	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
00001990	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0E	1F	BA	0E	00	B4	09	CD	...0.....*...!i
000019A0	21	B8	01	4C	CD	21	54	68	69	73	20	70	72	6F	67	72	!..LI!This progr
000019B0	61	6D	20	63	61	6E	6E	6F	74	20	62	65	20	72	75	6E	am cannot be run
000019C0	20	69	6E	20	44	4F	53	20	6D	6F	64	65	2E	0D	0D	0A	in DOS mode....
000019D0	24	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	31	B8	84	3A	75	D9	EA	69	ç.....!..;u0&1
000019E0	75	D9	EA	69	75	D9	EA	69	B6	D6	B5	69	77	D9	EA	69	u0&1u0&10u1w0&1
000019F0	75	D9	EA	69	EE	D9	EA	69	B6	D6	B7	69	64	D9	EA	69	u0&1i0&10&10&1
00001A00	21	B8	01	4C	CD	21	54	68	69	73	20	70	72	6F	67	72	!..LI!This progr

Offset(h): 1956 Block(h): 1956-1957 Length(h): 2 Overwrite

Suspicious strings, references, and other sequences of characters indicating that this is malicious software.

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GetModuleHandleA	RegDeleteKeyA
FindFirstFileA	RegCloseKey
WriteFile	RegOpenKeyExA
GetTempFileNameA	RegDeleteValueA
FindNextFileA	RegCreateKeyExA
GetSystemDirectoryA	RegEnumKeyA
CreateProcessA	GetFileAttributesA
Sleep	CopyFileA
CreateFileA	GetModuleFileNameA
GetTickCount	LoadLibraryA
ShellExecuteA	LoadLibraryExA
FindWindowExA	GetFileSize
	CreateDirectoryA

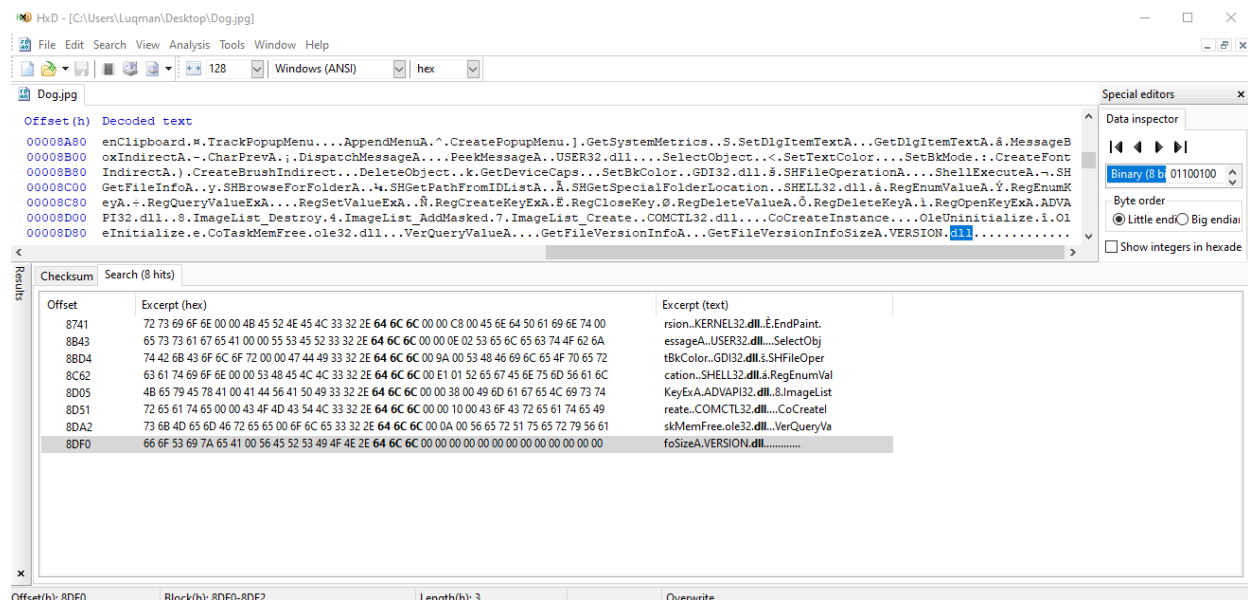
LoadLibraryA" (Indicator: "LoadLibrary"; File: "00000012.exe")

LoadLibraryExA" (Indicator: "LoadLibrary"; File: "00000012.exe")

LoadLibraryExA" (Indicator: "LoadLibrary"; Source: "00000000-00000032.00000000.162831.00407000.00000002.mdmp")

LoadLibraryA" (Indicator: "LoadLibrary"; Source: "00000000-00000032.00000000.162831.00407000.00000002.mdmp")

References to DLL files as well as a nonexistent DLL file.



Nonexistent dll

Module	File Time Stamp	Link Time Stamp	File Size	Attr.
EXT-MS-WIN32-SUBSYSTEM-QUERY-L1-1-0.DLL	Error opening file. The system cannot find the file specified (2).			
EXT-MS-WINDOWSCORE-DEVICEINFO-L1-1-0.DLL	Error opening file. The system cannot find the file specified (2).			
FVESKYBACKUP.DLL	Error opening file. The system cannot find the file specified (2).			
HVSIFILETRUST.DLL	Error opening file. The system cannot find the file specified (2).			
IESHIMS.DLL	Error opening file. The system cannot find the file specified (2).			
NGCRECOVERY.DLL	Error opening file. The system cannot find the file specified (2).			
WFDSCONMGR.DLL	Error opening file. The system cannot find the file specified (2).			
WPAXHOLDER.DLL	Error opening file. The system cannot find the file specified (2).			
c:\windows\system32\SHCORE.DLL	07/18/2024 5:59a	11/14/2096 1:37a	550,088	A
c:\windows\system32\SHLWAPI.DLL	10/09/2020 1:47p	05/18/2043 11:02p	275,288	A

In summary, the JPG file contained an embedded EXE file that references Windows libraries and includes potentially malicious software. This software attempts to install itself, create files, and run at system startup. The embedded EXE has been identified as Boaxxe, a trojan known for downloading additional malware and exfiltrating sensitive data.